

# PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A FISHING TOURNAMENT OR DERBY



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

A permit is required to conduct, on waters open to public fishing, a fishing tournament or derby which is open to persons sixteen years of age or older. A tournament/derby permit does not confer any special privileges. The permittee and participants must comply with all laws and regulations relating to inland sport fishing. A permittee must report the results of the tournament or derby to the Department, on the [Derby Report](#), within seven days after the date of the tournament or derby. A [Supplemental Report](#) form is required for Black Bass Tournaments. Representatives of the Department may collect biological and statistical information on any or all fish caught by participants at a permitted tournament or derby. There is no charge for the permit.

No fishing license shall be required for any Connecticut resident who is participating in a fishing derby authorized by the DEP provided: (1) no fees are charged for the derby, (2) the derby has a duration of one day or less, and (3) the derby is sponsored by a nonprofit civic service organization. Organizations are limited to one derby per year for which no fishing license is required. A letter requesting a fishing license exemption must accompany this permit application.

1. Name of Applicant:					Tel: Day			Evening		
Street:					Town:			State:		
Zip:										
2. Tournament/Derby Name:										
3. Tournament/Derby Sponsor or Club:										
4. Location of Tournament/Derby: (lake or stream name)										
Town:					Check-in Location(s):					
5. Date(s) of Tournament/Derby:					, 20					
Starting Time:					Check-in Time:					
6. Fish Species Sought :	<b>Largemouth &amp; Smallmouth Bass</b>			<b>Trout</b>	<b>Walleye</b>	<b>Striped Bass</b>	<b>Shad</b>			
	<b>Other (specify)</b> _____									
7. Species:				Tournament bag limit:			Fish size limit:			
Species:				Tournament bag limit:			Fish size limit:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Are you requesting an exemption from <a href="#">Special Bass Management Regulations</a> ? : YES NO										
<input type="checkbox"/> Is this a Catch and Release only tournament? : YES NO										
<input type="checkbox"/> Do all boats have live wells equipped with functioning aerators or circulating pumps? : YES NO										
8. Maximum number of participants anticipated:	Under 16 years: _____				16 years and older: _____					
9. Maximum number of boats:	_____				Maximum number of vehicles anticipated: _____					
10. Name of Courtesy/Safety Monitor (if 50 or more participants):	_____									
11. Tournament Entry Fee (if any):	_____			Total Value of Awards:	_____					
Form of award (check one): Cash ( ) Prizes ( ) Both ( )										

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application to:  
DEP Inland Fisheries Division  
79 Elm Street  
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Have questions, or to request additional forms, phone: (860) 424-3474



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## **EXEMPTIONS FROM BASS MANAGEMENT AREA REGULATIONS FOR FISHING DERBYS/TOURNAMENTS.**

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Effective January 1, 2002, an additional 26 lakes, ponds, and reservoirs have been designated as [Bass Management Areas](#) with alternative length and creel limits for largemouth & smallmouth bass. The regulations have also been adjusted on 3 of the existing Bass Management Areas.

From September 1 through June 30, participants in an open-water tournament at a Bass Management Area can be exempted from the Bass Management regulations for that lake. During the months of July and August, only tournaments on Gardner Lake and Mansfield Hollow Reservoir can be exempted from the Bass Management regulations.

Exemptions for tournaments may be granted provided:

1. Catch-and-release only is practiced by all participants.
2. Each participating boat is furnished with live wells equipped with aerators or circulating pumps.

You will generally receive an exemption notice along with your copies of the approved permit. You or your representative should have both the exemption notice and a copy of the approved permit with you during the tournament. **Each individual tournament participant must also have a copy of the exemption with them at all times during the tournament.**

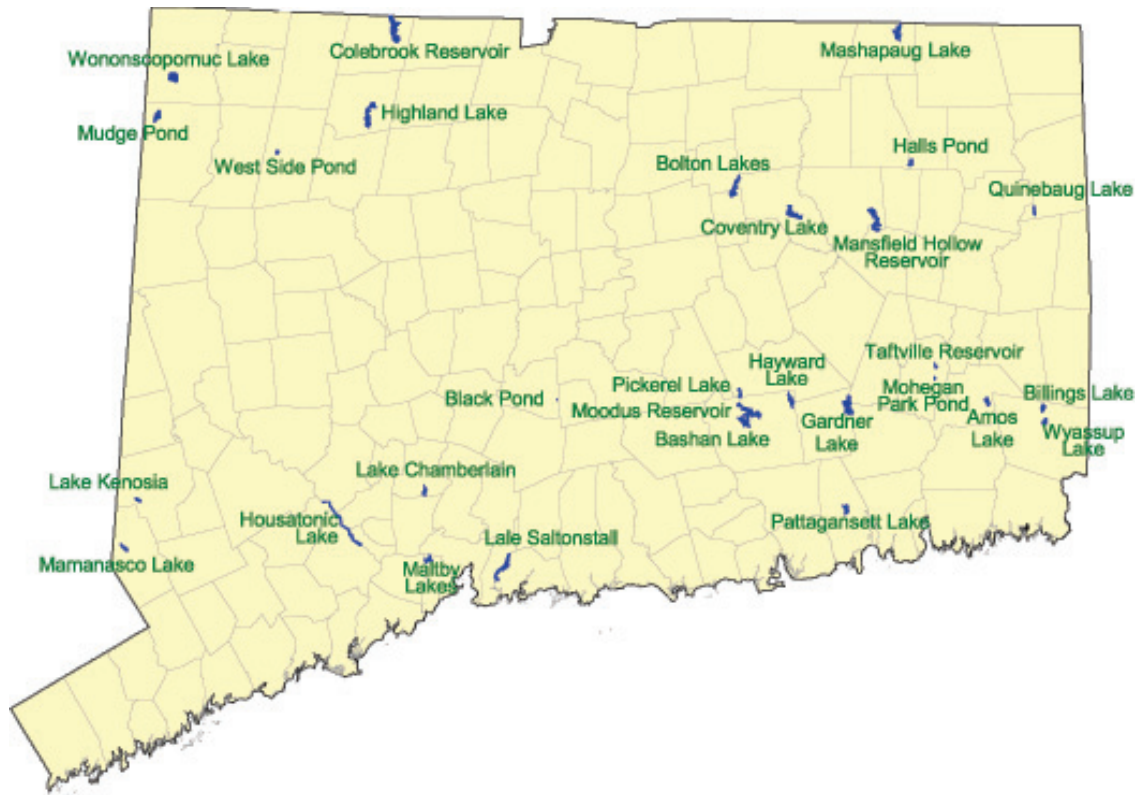
Please see [page 3](#) for a list of the lakes and their length and creel limits and our [Connecticut Bass Management Lakes brochure](#) for more information about our Bass Management Plan.

If there are any questions, please contact DEP Inland Fisheries at (860) 424-FISH (3474). Your cooperation is appreciated.

**GOOD FISHING!!!**



# Connecticut Bass Management Lakes



## TROPHY BASS MANAGEMENT AREAS

**SLOT LIMIT**-12 to 18 inches, **DAILY CREEL LIMIT**-6 bass, of which not more than 1 bass may be equal to or over 18 inches:

Amos Lake, Preston  
Moodus Reservoir, East Haddam

Mudge Pond, Sharon  
Pattagansett Lake, East Lyme

**MINIMUM LENGTH**-18 inches, **DAILY CREEL LIMIT**-1 bass:

Lake Saltonstall, Branford-East Haven

## BIG BASS MANAGEMENT AREAS

**MINIMUM LENGTH**-16 inches, **DAILY CREEL LIMIT**-2 bass:

Gardner Lake, Salem-Bozrah-Montville  
Highland Lake, Winchester  
Housatonic Lake, Shltn-Drby-Mnro-Oxfd-Symr  
Mohegan Park Pond, Norwich

Quinebaug Lake, Killingly  
Taftville Reservoir, Norwich  
Wyassup Lake, North Stonnington

**SLOT LIMIT**-12 to 16 inches, **DAILY CREEL LIMIT**-6 bass, of which no more than 2 bass may be equal to or over 16 inches:

Bashan Lake, Bashan  
Billings Lake, North Stonington  
Black Pond, Meriden-Middlefield  
Bolton Lakes (Upper, Middle, and Lower), Bolton-Coventry-Vernon  
Lake Chamberlain, Bethany  
Colebrook Flood Control Impoundment, Colebrook-MA  
Coventry Lake (Wangumbaug Lake), Coventry  
Halls Pond, Eastford-Ashford  
Hayward Lake, East Haddam

Lake Kenosia, Danbury  
Maltby Lakes (1,2,3), Orange-West Haven  
Mamasasco Lake, Ridgefield  
Mansfield Hollow Reservoir, Mansfield  
Mashapaug Lake, Union  
Pickerel Lake, Colchester-East Haddam  
West Side Pond, Goshen  
Wononscopomuc Lake, Salisbury

(for agency use only)

**TOURNAMENT/DERBY PERMIT**

Approved (    )

Issue Date \_\_\_\_\_

Permit No: \_\_\_\_\_

Issued by: \_\_\_\_\_

Edward C. Parker, Bureau Chief

Remarks:

Distribution: Office file (    ) Parks (2 copies) (    ) Boating (    ) Law Enforcement, District (    ) Applicant (2 copies) (    )

**Tournament/Derby Report**

(Supplemental Report form is required for bass tournaments)

Tournament/Derby Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Permit No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Participants: Under 16 years: \_\_\_\_\_ 16 years and older: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Boats: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Numbers of Cars: \_\_\_\_\_

Starting Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Weigh-in Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours Fished: \_\_\_\_\_

Fish caught:	Species:	Total Number:	Total Weight
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

Were fish kept or released? (check one) Released All (    ) Kept All (    ) Kept Some (    )

Biggest Fish Caught:	Species:	Length:	Weight:
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

Total Number of Anglers Catching Their Limit of Bass: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Anglers Who Caught No Bass: \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Permittee: \_\_\_\_\_

# SUPPLEMENTAL BASS TOURNAMENT REPORT

In addition to the general [Tournament/Derby Report](#) required for all tournaments, anglers hosting a competitive tournament for largemouth or smallmouth bass must fill out and submit the following report after the tournament. For each angler, record the angler's name (optional), the total number of largemouth and smallmouth bass brought to the weigh-in, and the total weight of the catch. Please record each angler's catch separately.

Tournament Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Angler Name	Total Number Largemouth Caught	Total Number Smallmouth Caught	Total Weight of Catch
1 _____	_____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____	_____
6 _____	_____	_____	_____
7 _____	_____	_____	_____
8 _____	_____	_____	_____
9 _____	_____	_____	_____
10 _____	_____	_____	_____
11 _____	_____	_____	_____
12 _____	_____	_____	_____
13 _____	_____	_____	_____
14 _____	_____	_____	_____
15 _____	_____	_____	_____
16 _____	_____	_____	_____
17 _____	_____	_____	_____
18 _____	_____	_____	_____
19 _____	_____	_____	_____
20 _____	_____	_____	_____
21 _____	_____	_____	_____
22 _____	_____	_____	_____
23 _____	_____	_____	_____

Angler Name	Total Number Largemouth Caught	Total Number Smallmouth Caught	Total Weight of Catch
24 _____	_____	_____	_____
25 _____	_____	_____	_____
26 _____	_____	_____	_____
27 _____	_____	_____	_____
28 _____	_____	_____	_____
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30 _____	_____	_____	_____
31 _____	_____	_____	_____
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35 _____	_____	_____	_____
36 _____	_____	_____	_____
37 _____	_____	_____	_____
38 _____	_____	_____	_____
39 _____	_____	_____	_____
40 _____	_____	_____	_____
41 _____	_____	_____	_____
42 _____	_____	_____	_____
43 _____	_____	_____	_____
44 _____	_____	_____	_____
45 _____	_____	_____	_____
46 _____	_____	_____	_____
47 _____	_____	_____	_____
48 _____	_____	_____	_____
49 _____	_____	_____	_____
50 _____	_____	_____	_____